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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

The Senate yesterday considered the Indian appropriation bill. —— The Interstate Commerce Commission decides in favor of the railroads in the case from Chattanooga, alleging discrimination in freight rates. —— The House made considerable progress yesterday with the Philippine bill. —— Democratic senators will continue efforts for an investigation of the Postoffice Department. —— An imperial edict opens Yongampho, Cores, to foreign trade. —— One Japanese was killed in a brush with the Russians near Anju. —— The Russian squadron is still at Vladivostok. —— Sensational developments are expected when the receivers begin investigation of Sully & Co.'s books. —— Sale of the De Kalb cotton mills at Camden, S. C., is ordered by the U. S. Circuit Court. —— Turkish troops have surrounded a large body of Albanians in Macedonia. —— Three persons killed by illuminating gas in a New York tenement house. —— Gen. Nelson A. Miles suggests that the Prohibition national convention be held after the other party conventions. —— New York markets: Money on call easy at 1½@1½ per cent.; cotton dull at 14c; flour dull and nominally lower; wheat—spot steady, No. 2 red $1.02; corn—spot dull, No. 2 nominal; oats—spot easy, No. 2 46½c; rosin quiet; spirits turpentine quiet.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., March 23.

Meteorological data for the twenty-four hours ending at 8 P. M.:

Temperatures: 8 A. M., 62 degrees; 8 P. M., 67 degrees; maximum, 80 degrees; minimum, 55 degrees; mean, 68 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00; rainfall since first of the month to date, 3.31 inches.

Stage of water in the Cape Fear river at Fayetteville, N. C., at 8 A. M., 6 feet

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, March 23.—For North Carolina: Rain Thursday, colder on the coast; Friday rain, fresh northeast winds.

Port Almanac—March 24.

Sun Rises	5.59 A. M.
Sun Sets	6.15 P. M.
Day's Length	12 H. 16 M.
High Water at Southport	12.44 A. M.
High Water Wilmington	3.14 A. M.

Insomnia is now said to be epidemic at Washington. Perhaps Col. Bryan has at last awakened the national conscience.

The Republican territorial government at Hawaii faces a deficit of $1,500,000. So much like their party brethren over here. Same old story.

We don't suppose we violate neutrality when we say that Russia is not familiar enough with our vocabulary to call her tan-colored enemy lantern-jawed Japs.

The Japanese Diet was opened by the Mikado on Saturday. From all accounts the Russian diet at Port Arthur and Vladivostok is rather light just now.

The cablegrams announce that the squadron of the Japanese Admiral Tamata has been sighted off New Chwang, which city he hopes to capture when the ice breaks up. Perhaps tomato can.

A convention in the Augusta Congressional district endorsed Roosevelt, and nominated a negro for Congress. What more could be expected of a convention that would endorse Roosevelt?

We knew something was going to happen to the New England States. The earthquake a few days ago is only a reminder that they have stood by the Republican party so long that they are on shakey ground.

Now it is announced as a fact that Russia's Battle fleet will reach the scene of war in June. It is presumed that the Japs will show it the way to go up Salt River as soon as it reaches the Manchurian coast.

THE MORNING STAR on Sunday completed its 73rd volume and has begun to twinkle for its 74th. It is hardly necessary to say that this luminary will continue to mark its course in the zeinth where the astrologers have long ago made the observation that it's the oldest daily in North Carolina.

Russia's policy is now to standem-off. She will make no effort to act on the aggressive in preventing the Japanese from landing but will withdraw to Mucken and Harbin and compel the Japanese to assault her fortified armies. It's awfully mean not to come out in the open and fight the little bantam. We fear Japan's job is one for all night.

Spence Blackburn and Rom Linney, after the manner of speaking in Charlotte, are having a great "rucus" over the Republican nomination in the Eighth Congressional District. Spence is trying to de-Linneyate the true character of Rom while Rom has a "big stick" endeavoring to show Blackburn the Spencerian handwriting on the wall. Doubtless Spence thinks it's only a catawaul. Lay on McDuff! We don't care a dam-ask tablecloth who first cries "turn my goozle go!"

LOCAL DOTS.

— The B. F. Keith Co. wants 200,000 more cypress cross ties. See advertisement.

— The Y. M. C. A. Swimming Pool Fund has now reached $958 and the full amount needed is all but in sight.

— Pay your poll tax before May 1st, or you cannot vote in the State and Presidential elections to be held in November next.

— The ladies of St. Agnes' Guild will have their annual sale of neckwear at 3:30 o'clock this afternoon at St. James' Parish House.

—Herbert McClammy, Esq., spent yesterday in attendance upon Brunswick Superior Court at Southport. The criminal docket will, perhaps, not be completed before this afternoon.

— Two negro desperadoes of the nine who broke jail at Raleigh four months ago, have been captured in Petersburg, Va. One of the number is said to be Dan Biggs, who was once tried for his life in Wilmington.

— The Sunbeam Society of the First Baptist Church gave a reception Tuesday night at the home of Mrs. S. H. Burit, complimentary to Rev. Fred. D. Hale, D. D. Refreshments were served and all enjoyed a delightful evening.

—The J. S. Sellars named as one of the defendants in the gambling cases, is not Capt. J. S. Sellers, master of the steamer "Herbert M.," of the New Hanover Shingle Mills. Capt. Sellers has no connection whatever with the cases referred to.

— Friends in Wilmington will be interested in the announcement of the marriage of Mrs. Florence R. Faucette to Mr. W. A. Willcox, of Halifax county, which took place on March 13th at Halifax, N. C. Mrs. Faucette formerly lived in Wilmington, making her home at the residence of the late Wm. M. Poisson.

WITH THE POLISE YESTERDAY.

Mayor's Court Docket Heavy—A Number of Arrests During the Day.

In the Mayor's court yesterday Henderson Hayes, colored, received his monthly sentence of 30 days to the roads for drunkenness; Chas. W. Vinett, a white vagrant, was given until sunset to leave the city; Chas. O'Connor paid a fine of $5 and costs for drunkenness and several other defendants escaped with the same. Frank Teachey and Clarence Williams, two colored boys, charged with fighting, were given over to their mothers for chastisement.

Frank Smith, white, who claims to be a sailor from Hong Kong, looking for a job, and Isaiah Frink, colored, were arrested by Policeman G. R. Holt at Sixth and Brunswick streets, yesterday afternoon upon a charge of vagrancy.

Two young white men had a "scrap" at Front street market yesterday at noon and were arrested by Police Sergeant G. W. Smith. One of the number got gay and was also charged with resisting the officer. Half a dozen other arrests were made in other parts of the city yesterday and the line-up before the mayor this morning will be an imposing one.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Property Which Exchanged Hands by Deeds Filed for Record Yesterday.

H. D. Staniland and wife to R. B. and Walter A. Penny and others, for $1,250, property on east side of MacRae 132 feet south of Gwynn street, 33x165 feet in size.

W. W. King and wife to W. M. Cumming and wife, for $110, property at northeast corner of Twelfth and Queen streets, 67x100 feet in size.

W. J. McCall, of Charlotte, and wife to D. R. Woodsum and F. M. Woodsum, of New Hampshire, for $4,500, three tracts of land in New Hanover and Pender counties, one on Island Creek, the second on Jumping Run branch and the third adjoining lands of Isaac Hines and others.

Sarah E. Bannerman to W. J. McCall, for $1,500, tracts of lands described above.

Strange Negro Jailed.

Chester Shaw, an intelligent young colored man from another county, was arrested here yesterday and committed to jail by Justice Bornemann upon a charge of seduction under promise of marriage. The warrant was sworn out by Lizzie Padrick, who followed the fleeing man to Wilmington and had the warrant served upon him before he could leave town.

The Wilmington Postoffice.

The Charlotte *Observer* remarks editorially: "The effort being made to prevent the confirmation of Wallace as postmaster at Wilmington may be the result of a feeling that he is not fit for the place, but at this stage of the game it looks as if it were the usual clamor which the unsuccessful Republicans raise against the one who lands the pie."

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

W. B. Cooper—Cottosuet.
J. M. Solky & Co.—Spring opening.
Solomon's Shoe Store—Easter slippers

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Pittsburg Lumber Co.—Wanted.
R. T. Windley—Cross ties wanted.
B. F. Keith Co.—Cross ties wanted.
St. Agnes' Guild—Sale of neckwear.

— Charlotte *Observer*: "Miss Keith Covington, of Wilmington, who has been the guest of Mrs. T. W. Andrews, has gone to Salisbury to visit relatives and friends."

WHARF MEN PROTEST

Indiscriminate Pre-occupation of Property by Rafts Declared to Be a Nuisance.

THEY WANT A REMEDY.

Commissioners of Navigation and Pilotage Will be Asked to Designate an Anchorage for Floating Craft—The Danger by Fire Noted.

For the purpose of formulating some measure of relief from the preoccupation of property along the water front by rafts of timber, rosin, etc., the owners of which craft appear to be acting upon some inflated conception of the doctrine of eminent domain, a number of representative wharf owners met yesterday afternoon in the rooms of the Chamber of Commerce and had a thorough disussion of the situation with Capt. Edgar D. Williams, harbor master of the port. Present at the conference were Messrs. L. B. Rogers, of the D. L. Gore Company; J. A. Springer, of J. A. Springer & Co.; Roger Moore, of Roger Moore's Sons & Co.; H. W. Malloy, of the Navasso Guano Co., H. G. Smallbones, of the Clyde Steamship Co.; H. R. Healy, C. C. Covington, John S. McEachern, H. K. Nash and Capt. S. F. Craig.

Those present exchanged experiences of trouble with raftsmen and declared that it was a queer conception of the law by which a man could be excluded from his own property while others with no claim whatever to title, occupied it with impunity to the great detriment of the owner. It was stated that rafts of timber coming down at night could be tied up at any wharf the owner chose and there appeared to be no regulation by which they could be required to move on the following day. Mr. Smallbones said it was the revival of an old complaint and the only remedy he knew was for the wharf owner to charge a wharfage rate and enforce its collection or cut the raft loose under certain conditions. The matter had been threshed over several times before, he said.

Capt. Edgar Williams briefly outlined the regulations now in effect and defined the rights of raftsmen as he conceived them to be. There were two sides to the question and the wharf owners should attempt to get at some equitable regulation covering the case. All present at the conference expressed themselves as being mindful of the fact that the raftsmen should be given every convenience compatible with the rights of others, but such practices as had been cited recently amounted to little less than usurpation and a nuisance. It was suggested that the owners there assembled go in a body to the Board of Commissioners of Navigation and Pilotage and ask that organization to pass a regulation designating some place where the rafts could be tied up and accommodation could be provided for the men in charge of them. Along the main water front, it was stated that fires on the rafts and in the flats were dangerous and that by designating some certain place for them to tie up over night, that danger would be eliminated. Incidentally the matter of danger of sparks from passing steamboats was also referred to and it was agreed to ask the city authorities to enforce the regulation in regard to spark arresters.

It seemed to be the concensus of opinion that a place could be provided for the rafts at or near Point Peter and it was agreed to call upon the Commissioners of Navigation and Pilotage and ask the Board to call a meeting at once and designate that or some other favorable location as a point for rafts to tie up. Capt. S. F. Craig, of the Board, was present at the conference of owners and said in his opinion the present conditions were a nuisance to property owners and a constant menance to harbor navigation during the timber season in the Spring and early in the Fall. The Commissioners of Navigation and Pilotage are Col. Thos. Evans (chairman), Capt. S. F. Craig, Capt. J. W. Craig, Messrs. James Sprunt, C. W. Worth, George Harriss and Samuel Northrop. It is probable that a meeting of the Commissioners to consider the matter will be held this week.

A Wedding Announcement.

Friends in the city on yesterday received handsome invitations bearing the following announcement: "Dr. and Mrs. Nelll Monroe Culbreth request the honour of your presence at the marriage of their daughter Mary Elizabeth to Mr. Edward Wadsworth Butcher on the afternoon of Wednesday, the sixth of April, at half after five o'clock, Grace M. E. Church, Wilmington, North Carolina." Miss Culbreth is one of Wilmington's most charming and accomplished young ladies and Mr. Butcher is a prominent young business man of Petersburg, Va. Mr. and Mrs. Butcher will be at home after April 25th at No. 238 Harrison street, Petersburg.

Mr. Walter Holland Dead.

Mrs. Walter Holland and children left yesterday morning for Clinton, N. C., in response to a telegram announcing that Mr. Holland had just died at the home of his father in that town. He had been in poor health for some time and lately went to Clinton from Wilmington with the hope that the change would be beneficial to him. Mr. Holland formerly worked in the Atlantic Coast Line shops here and was highly esteemed by all who knew him. He married a daughter of Mr. J. A. Hankins, of this city, and she with two children survive him.

GOLF TOURNEY YESTERDAY.

Men's Handicap Match for Graham Prize a Big Success—Enthusiasm in the Sport Growing Daily.

The gentlemen's handicap tournament on the Cape Fear Golf links yesterday afternoon for the handsome prize offered by Mr. Fred. Graham, of Nashville, was one of the big successes of the season. The number of entries was large and hundreds of spectators witnessed the contest from the club house and points of vantage on the green. Mr. T. M. Turrentine won the prize—a very handsome cut glass decanter embossed with silver. Mr. Geo. W. Brunson, Jr., and Mr. George Rountree tied for second honors in a net score of 98, Mr. Turrentine's net having been only one point lower. The entries and the score of each player are as follows:

Mr. T. M. Turrentine	113	16	97
Mr. Geo. W. Brunson, Jr.	116	18	98
Mr. George Rountree	98	0	98
Col. W. J. Cotton	107	8	99
Mr. M. F. H. Gouverneur	104	5	99
Mr. Chas. McMillen	102	3	99
Mr. John Jay Blair	102	3	99
Mr. Tenche Cox	100	0	100
Mr. A. S. Williams	105	0	105
Mr. R. H. Gwaltney	107	0	107
Mr. W. D. MacMillan, Jr.	130	12	108
Mr. R. W. Gray	122	12	110
Mr. R. H. Bradley	122	12	110
Mr. R. D. W. Connor	122	11	111
Mr. W. A. Dick	123	10	113
Mr. Donald MacRae	131	16	115
Mr. Chas. E. Taylor	125	4	121

Golf enthusiasm was perhaps never more intense in Wilmington than now. A number of other events are scheduled for the near future.

FELL FROM MOVING TRAIN.

Ashpole Man Brought to Hospital Here for Operation—Accident Tuesday Night.

Dr. J. P. Brown, Atlantic Coast Line surgeon at Ashpole, N. C., arrived in the city yesterday, bringing to the James Walker Memorial Hospital Mr. J. W. Ashley, 44 years old, who was severely injured by falling from a train at Ashpole night before last. Mr. Ashley had boarded the train with his brother, Mr. C. F. Ashley, who was returning to Boardman after a visit to his mother, who is ill at Ashpole. He sat down in the car with his brother, expecting to get off before the train started. The engine was doing some shifting and had coupled up to move the passenger coach to make way for some cars, when Mr. Ashley mistook the movement for the train's starting. He became excited, and rushing to the platform he fell or jumped off in some way. No one knew that he had been hurt until one of the trainmen saw him by the track in an unconscious condition with a big hole in the top of his head. Dr. Brown was quickly summoned, and with Mr. C. F. Ashley, brought the injured man to Wilmington for an operation as soon as possible. The patient is being attended by Drs. Bulluck and Brown and was resting quietly as the hospital at 10 o'clock last night.

A WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS.

White Man in County Jail Alleges That He is Wrongfully Committed.

Woodus Kellum, Esq., has procured from Judge Robert B. Peebles, holding court at Southport this week, a writ of habeas corpus for R. L. Joyner, a white man committed to jail some weeks ago by Justice G. W. Bornemann on a charge of disposing of mortgaged property, the same having been a desk and other office supplies purchased from G. D. Phares & Co., the furniture dealers, on the installment plan. The complaint upon which the writ is issued sets forth that Joyner is wrongfully detained and that he is not guilty of the charge upon which he was committed to jail; that the paper construed by the magistrate to be a mortgage was only a lease for the property and even that had never been recorded.

Judge Peebles set the hearing for Saturday of this week at the Court House in Wilmington and the sheriff on Tuesday accepted the summons to that effect. Judge Peebles will be in Wilmington Saturday, returning from Brunswick court.

Gambling Paraphernalia.

A bushel or more of poker chips of all colors and denominations, a barrel or more of cards, liquor, beer, cigars and other appurtenances of the gambling rooms raided by the police Monday night were being boxed up by Chief Furlong yesterday to be sent over to the Superior Court. Each of the boxes containing the smaller articles was labelled with the name of the alleged owner, while the tables, strong boxes, "kitties," "banks," etc., were large enough to be identified without marking them.

A Generous Firm.

Through their representatives, Messrs. Roger Moore's Sons & Co., of this city, the Georgia Vitrified Paving Brick Co., of Augusta, has donated the brick necessary to pave the carriage driveway in front of the entrance to the James Walker Memorial Hospital. The generous act on the part of the Georgia company will be appreciated by the community and the management of the hospital. The brick were the same as used for the Market street paving.

Electric Plant for Burgaw.

Mr. Jno. W. Reilly, of the firm of J. W. Reilly & Son, went up to Burgaw last night to confer with parties there relative to the installation of an electric lighting plant in that enterprising county seat. Later, Mr. Reilly expects to go to Clinton on a similar mission.

FINE SPRING DISPLAY

Annual Opening Yesterday at Popular Establishment of Geo. O. Gaylord.

WILL BE CONTINUED TO-DAY.

Hundreds of Visitors Admired Beautiful Creations in Millinery and Dress Goods—Decorations Handsome and Elaborate—Notes.

The big department store of Mr. George O. Gaylord, No. 210 North Front street, was thronged with visitors all day yesterday, the occasion being the annual Spring opening of fashionable millinery and dry goods of that popular establishment. The weather was lovely—entirely suggestive of Spring—and the beauty of the season was charmingly pictured in the magnificent display of beautiful things to be seen and admired at the well conducted store so highly favored by the elements for its opening day. The display was thrown open to the public at 10 o'clock yesterday morning, and it will continue through today in all its grandeur and beauty. Those who failed to advantage themselves of a visit to the store yesterday will do more than well to call to-day. Mr. Gaylord said yesterday he was highly elated at the success of the opening. It surpasses all events of its character given at the store during many years. Hundreds of orders were taken from as many visitors and hundreds of other visitors signified their intention of calling later and making selections from the complete and fashionable line on display.

The millinery department is in charge of Miss Alma Brown, whose accomplishments as a milliner and whose discriminating taste is too well known to the ladies of Wilmington to be commended. She recently spent several weeks in the great fashion centres of the North and her selections of all the new and stylish creations in the art found many enthusiastic admirers among the throngs yesterday. The department, which is on the second floor and reached either by an easy stairway or by elevator, is beautifully decorated and the arrangement of the millinery is convenient for inspection and beautiful to behold. Rows of broad white streamers extending across the room and caught up in loops of flowers, with bows at each end, add strikingly to the general effect. The long white columns in the centre and on the sides are entwined with bamboo.

The leading shapes in ready-to-wear hats this season are the "Dolly Vardea," "Nancy Brown," and "Sir Thomas Lipton Sailor." The latest styles in plain hats are carried and a specialty is made of chiffon folded head wear. There are Paris hats and imitation imported hats. The most popular shades are white and light blue. Horsehair braids and chiffons are among the leading materials used this Spring. Gold is extensively used in the trimmings.

Downstairs the display in every department is notable. A speciality this season is a beautiful line of silk and muslin shirt waists, skirts, coat suits and baby caps. The line of dress goods includes many new fabrics in all the popular weaves and shades.

During the opening yesterday excellent music was furnished and every visitor to the store was given a cordial welcome.

MR. E. H. GASQUE DEAD.

Well Known and Highly Respected Citizen of Marion, S. C.—Funeral To-day.

A telegram last night to Mrs. H. C. Twining announced the death of her father, Mr. Eli H. Gasque, one of the oldest and most highly esteemed citizens of Marion, S. C. Mr. Gasque passed away at 6:30 o'clock. His death had been expected for some time. He was well advanced in years and last December suffered a stroke of paralysis, from which he never rallied. Mr. Gasque was one of the leading citizens of his county and was a loyal Confederate soldier, always true to the cause and a friend of the South and its interests. Capt. C. W. Gasque, the well known and popular A. C. L. conductor, was a son of the deceased and yesterday morning he received a telegram here, stating that his father was dying. He left on the afternoon train and reached the bedside of his father shortly before he breathed his last. Mr. and Mrs. Twining will leave here on the 6 o'clock train this morning to attend the funeral.

LOCAL MARKETS AND SHIPPING.

Cotton Advancing—Schooners Cleared, One to Return.

The New York cotton future market advanced yesterday from 40 to 50 points in the leading months. Receipts here were only 10 bales.

Schooner "A. B. Sherman," Capt. Johnson, having finished discharging cargo of fertilizers at the "upper compress," cleared yesterday, light, for Jacksonville, Fla.

The British schooner "City of Nassau," Capt. Munroe, cleared yesterday for Nassau with cargo of 215,000 shingles, consigned by Messrs. J. A. Springer & Co. Capt. Munroe expects to return to Wilmington in about a month with another cargo of fruit, after discharging which, he will take a cargo of shingles to Jamaica.

— E. J. Fuller, Esq., of Washington, D. C., is at The Orton.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Mr. J. M. Rothwell, of Conley, was here yesterday.

— Mr. J. H. Pollard, of Raleigh, arrived yesterday.

— Mr. R. Y. McPherson, of Raleigh, arrived last evening.

— Mr. H. C. McMillan, of Parkton, N. C., is a guest at The Orton.

— Miss Martha Williams is the guest of friends in Fredericksburg, Virginia.

— Friends will regret to know that Mr. E. P. Bailey is quite sick at his home.

—Mr. J. H. Downing, of Dowingsville, Bladen county, N. C., was here yesterday.

— Yesterday's Fayetteville *Observer* says that Mr. Nash E. Buntlog was not so well during the day.

— Mr. M. B. Spier, of the Southern Bell Telephone Co., with headquarters in Charlotte, arrived last evening.

— Miss Maude Vaughan has been called home to the bedside of her mother, who is critically ill at her home, No. 402 North Second street.

— Dr. G. Kirby Collier, a resident physician of "Craig Colony," Sonyea, N. Y., is in the city on a visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Collier.

—Mr. J. T. Batson, of Atkinson, arrived yesterday. He says that Mrs. E. A. Hawes, of Atkinson, shipped radishes as early as Tuesday, 22nd. inst. Shipments will become heavy about the middle of next week.

THE OBJECTION TO WALLACE.

How Republican Factional Differences Are Regarded in Washington.

Under the caption, "An Indecent Spectacle," the Charlotte *Observer* of yesterday publishes in its Washington, D. C. correspondence:

"Thinking this would prove a source of strength, the friends of Mr. Wallace, have urged, as a reason for his appointment as postmaster at Wilmington, that the proposed appointment found favor with the business community, and that among men who have most earnestly given their endorsement were several very prominent Democrats. Now the opponents of Mr. Wallace have come forward with the counter claim that his appointment is only favored by the "red shirt Democrats," who are thus seeking to injure the Republican party. If the Republicans of North Carolina do not cease their mudslinging performances and quit befouling their own party nest they will soon alienate the good will and lose the respect of every national party leader. A pigeon-hole in half-dozen Senate committee rooms is filled with charges against Republican aspirants for office. These charges, most of which have been filed within the past two or three years, represent the full category of crime. Very many of them no paper would dare to print for fear of possible libel suits. A Republican member of the Senate postoffice committee, when told that charges had been made against Mr. Wallace, said that one would think to hear the Republicans of down there talk about themselves that they were an aggregation of horse thieves. This habit which North Carolina Republicans have formed of making charges against one another was Justice Pritchard's chief annoyance and source of embarrassment during the closing days of his service in the Senate."

"HIGHLANDER" AT COLUMBIA.

South Carolinians Enjoyed Trip Down the River With Many Funny Incidents.

The Columbia (S. C.) *Record* of yesterday gives this account of incidents in connection with the complimentary excursion trip of the steamer "Highlander" down the river Tuesday afternoon, a party of prominent business men, State officials, etc., having been aboard:

"The boat went down the river six about miles, but the channel was new to the pilot and one of the famous sand banks was struck.

"Despite the efforts of the entire crew and the passengers, the boat stayed until about 8 P. M., when she finally pulled off and returned to Columbia. Everyone had a good time, however, and many laughable incidents occurred. The spectacle of the Governor and Attorney General, Mr. E. B. Clark, and others hauling on a line and working for dear life, the ride to town in big picnic wagons, the falling overboard of a man who was not used to the rocking of a boat and other such incidents only made the trip more enjoyable and relieved the monotony. Most of those present would have been willing to stay all night, but unfortunately there was important business in the city and the majority before dark went ashore and, engaging two-horse wagons, came in. The sandbar incident has nothing to do with river navigation, however. It was something liable to happen at any time when the channel is new and the river chart not completed."

EDUCATIONAL LOAN FUND.

Some of the Work Accomplished—Military Advisory Board Established.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., March 23.—Since the creation of the fund by the last General Assembly the State Board of Education has made loans to 61 counties, amounting to $86,411 from the loan fund for building and improving the public school houses, and there's still $36,000 available. With the money loaned school buildings have been secured in 208 districts; 173 new school houses have been built, 35 other school houses have been purchased or repaired. The total value of buildings secured with loans was $339,680.

An order is issued by the Adjutant General creating a Military Advisory Board consisting of the Adjutant General, Brigade Commander, three Regimental Commanders, Inspector General, Quartermaster General, Chief of Engineers and Commander of Naval Brigade. All matters pertaining to the National Guard in this State will be referred to the Board for recommendation.

Grand Spring Opening
---AT---
J. M. SOLKY & CO.'S,



Of Clothing, Hats and Furnishing Goods.

They are now to be seen in great variety at our handsome store and we will be glad to have you come in and look at them.

In Clothing

We handle all the leading makes, including Strouse Bros. & Co., and B. Kuppenheimer's; the Manhattan and Faultless Shirts; the Crofut Knap, No Name and Nox-All Hats and the best makes of

Underwear & Neckwear

J. M. SOLKY & CO.
ONE PRICE CLOTHIERS AND FURNISHERS.
mar 12 tf



Easter Slippers.

New styles arriving every day. The largest assortment of high grade Slippers ever shown in this city.

SOLOMON'S SHOE STORE.
mar 20 tf

Uniforms for Police

In a few days Chief Furlong and a committee from the Police Department will entertain bids for the new Summer uniforms for the men and officers of the force. The uniforms this season will be of blue serge instead of blue flannel as heretofore.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

New Goods.

—ASPAROX—
A Beverage and for Seasoning. Has a rich Asparagus flavor
—TOMATO BOILLON—
A piquant relish for meats, game, Fish, Vegetables, and for preparing "Oyster Cocktails."
Celery, Lettuce, Beets.
Grape Fruit, Oranges and Malaga Grapes.
Deviled Crabs, with Shells.
—Just received and for sale by—
Wilmington Grocery Co.,
mar 19 tf Jno. L. Boatwright, Manager.

BASE BALL GOODS.

Our stock of Spalding's Balls, Gloves, Mitts, Bats, Protectors, Masks, Etc.,

have been received and we are now ready to supply you with anything you will need in the game.

Orders from out of the city shipped the day they are received. All goods at manufacturer's prices.

ROBT. C. DeROSSET,
The Stationer.
mar 20 tf 32 North Front St.

EASTER CARDS
AND
JAPANESE EASTER NOVELTIES.
Prayer Books and Hymnals.
Bibles and Testaments
in all styles of bindings.
C. W. Yates & Co.
mar 20 tf

The Cheapest



flour is the flour which makes the mostbread. A barrel of Pillsbury's Best Flour will make more loaves of bread than will a barrel of ordinary flour.

F. E. HASHAGEN CO.,
Sole Distributing Agents.
mar 13 tf

The Newest

DESIGNED FOOTWEAR

For Misses, Children and Infants for Spring. See a few styles displayed in our window. Up-to-date light weight and low cuts for Ladies and Gentlemen. Also, sole agents for Douglas Shoes for Men and Boys.

Sole agents for Kippendorf-Dittmann Co. for Ladies and Misses.

MERCER & EVANS CO.
Same old place. mar 13 tf

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THURSDAY MORNING, MARCH 24.

AYCOCK FOR VICE PRSIDENT.

It is extremely gratifying to North Carolinians to observe the estimate placed upon Gov. Chas. B. Aycock by the newspapers of a sister State. Two able South Carolina papers in one day contained complimentary allusions to our Governor; but while North Carolinians do not have to go away from home to find high appreciation of Governor Aycock, they are sensible of more than ordinary pride to have two such papers as the Charleston *News and Courier* and the Columbia *State* to discuss him in connection with the Presidency and Vice Presidency.

The *State*, edited by the gifted brother of the martyred N. G. Gonzales, says:

Governor Aycock of North Carolina expresses himself against Cleveland and Hearst and in favor of Judge Parker for the Democratic nomination. More than a year ago the *State* suggested that Governor Aycock would make a suitable running mate with whatever man should secure the presidential nomination. If, then, Aycock finds himself inclined Parker-ward he should be all the more satisfactory for the second place on the ticket, if Parker secures the nomination. The demands of harmony would be met.

Tuesday's *News and Courier* has this to say:

Now comes the Charlotte *News* and suggests that because Gov. Aycock originated the plan of issuing a warrant against Finch and McBee on the charge of conspiracy, in the Atlantic and North Carolina Railway affair, that he ought to be nominated for Vice President on the Democratic ticket this year, and then saved "for the fight with Roosevelt for the first place in 1908. Aycock is all right." We agree to the last proposition with all our heart. He is one of the most capable of the Southern Governors, and he would doubtless make a good Vice President or a good President. Certainly on the only occasion when we have been able to compare him with Mr. Roosevelt he did not suffer by the comparison; but we submit that his course in the Finch and McBee matter ought not to be regarded as sufficient to make him eligible to either of the high offices named.

The *News and Courier* is correct in seeing nothing in the McBee receivership incident to connect Aycock with the vice presidency. That was an important local matter which the Governor handled in a manner that showed that he cannot be easily brushed aside, but it has no element in it upon which to claim national support.

Our esteemed Charleston contemporary speaks in high terms of Aycock from a comparative standpoint, for our Governor was in Charleston when Roosevelt visited that grand old city of the Palmetto State, met with the distinguished hospitality of her proud people, and subsequently, harpy like, forced on them an objectionable negro as collector of the port. *Odium in lonqum jacens!*

HOW THE CHINESE EDITOR TURNS DOWN A POEM.

A lot of editors in North Carolina are as unfeeling as the dome of Pilot Knob. The manner in which some of them treat poets is sufficient to call forth a protest from Pegasus. Perhaps the Charlotte *Observer*, the Winston *Sentinel* and the Gastonia *Gazette* are worthy exceptions, for we have noted with profound gratification that they appreciate genius and never fail to warm up over the poetic fires which sometimes burn in the native breast. However, most editors have a way of calling in the neighborhood goat when they have poems which they desire to be taken in and digested, while others heartlessly feed them to the waste basket, or, worse still, consign them to the tobacco expectoration on the office floor.

We have often wondered if there were not some more felicitious method of rejecting a poem and at the same time not to do it in a ruthless manner that may quench the rhythmic and lyric spirit of our people. We have found it. A missionary lately returned from China says that the Chinese editors have their troubles with poets, too, but their methods of "turning down" measured cadences are more polite than those of bruske American editors. We commend the following translation which the missionary gives of a Chinese editor's rejection card to writers:

"Most mighty prince of the magic pen, we have read your poem with heavenly bliss, and have found it more beautiful than the Seven Songs of Sue Chuan, more beautiful than the Thirteen Original Proverbs, and to publish it in our paper would give us more happiness than a promise of heaven, but so impossible would it be for any one ever to hope to produce a work of literature even approaching yours in excellence that we feel it our duty to refrain, for fear of evermore discouraging the poets of His Magesty's Empire and causing them to dash out their brains in despair. Therefore we return your mighty work of genius and grovel before you in the dust as your base-born slave.—The Editor."

Here comes another pesky Chicago professor to urge that the women of all classes should learn the art of roasting. Hold up there with such uncalled for garulity and gratuitous flap-doodle! Where have you been shut up so securely, Mister, that you haven't found out that women can "roast" in a manner so approximating the ultima thule of the artistiqe as to make a red-hot stove get cold feet?

Future Looked Dark.

H. W. Bagg, the Wilmington Mruufacturer, saw little in it but pain.

The following story is a personal narrative of an experience that seemed to promise the narrator nothing for the future but a life of pain and discomfort. How he found the way but is a story which will interest many Wilmington readers.

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NINETEEN DAYS A RECEIVER

The Charleston *News and Courier* under the above heading makes this interesting editorial comment on a matter which recently stirred North Carolina from centre to circumference:

Judge Purnell, of the United States Court, has approved the accounts of Mr. V. E. McBee, as receiver of the Atlantic and North Carolina Railway under his appointment, and discharged him as receiver, releasing him from further liability. Mr. McBee was in charge of this railroad from February 28th to March 17th, both days inclusive. When he took charge of the property there was $3,043 cash on hand, and when he was ordered out of the receivership there was $13,749 cash on hand.

The proceedings by which Mr. McBee was appointed receiver of this railroad property were unusual if not irregular, and the North Carolinians, who immediately resented the methods adopted to place the property in his hands, are congratulating themselves upon the result of the very stiff fight made against McBee's appointment. There has been some talk of subjecting him to criminal prosecution in the State courts, but as he was an officer of the Federal Court in this matter, and has been discharged without liability from further service, it is not unlikely that the Federal authorities would be compelled to intervene for his protection should any proceedings be instituted against him in the State Courts.

The Atlantic and North Carolina road is chiefly owned by the State of North Carolina, and according to all reports it has not been managed with profit to the State. The Wilmington *Star* suggests that it might be well for the State to sell its interests in the property, at a good price, and that would probably be the best disposition of the matter.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—— The New York Wold speaks of D. B. Hill as the stormy petrel of political disaster; and we thought Dave was just a plain, old-fashioned rain crow.—Memphis Commercial-Appeal.

—— The Mormons who have been holding a State convention in Columbia will hardly send other missionaries to York county, where two of them came near of being lynched a few years ago.—Greenville, S. C., News.

—— King Menelik has a glorious future before him. He will bring to the St. Louis Exposition some ivory, tropical fruits and the like, and take back the cake walk, the ragtime song, the opossum and the persimmon.—Washington Star.

—— How sad the tolling of the bells 'mid the hoarse roar of the leafless trees, the howling of the winter's wind and the falling snow! Death is among us; the spoiler is nigh. It is not far to the grave.—Girard (Ill.) Anchor.

——Louisville Times:—It's going to take something more than a statement from the white house to account for the criminal carelessness displayed in the failure to blue pencil that part of the Bristow report touchin' on and appertainin' to the shortcomings of 191 members of the house.

—— The story is told that Admiral Dewey did not land at Santo Domingo on his recent West Indian cruise because he found upon arriving in port that the United States Minister, William F. Powell, is a colored man, and if he had gone ashore he would have been obliged to call on the Minister, and been entertained at dinner by him. The Admiral steered around the difficulty by staying on shipboard and putting out to sea as soon as practicable.—Charleston News and Courier.

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SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Last Friday at White P. O, Surry county, Tyre Cranford and Tom Moody got into a fight as the result of an old grudge. Cranford was cut with a knife and died Monday night.

— At the reunion of the Maine citizens now in Southern Pines and vicinity, at the King's Daughters' Hall last Wednesday, it developed that 120 people from the Pine Tree State were at this famous North Carolina resort.

— News and Observer: Mr. Joe Bask who was shot at Henderson Saturday by Mr. J. B. Watson as the result of a quarrel over land, died on Tuesday after hours of intense suffering. Watson has been held for trial in the Superior Court.

— The residence of Mr. W. R. Hartsell, in Cabarrus county, was destroyed by fire a day or two ago. The fire originated in the second story of the house, and was burning fiercely when the family awoke. The aged grandmother of Mr. Hartsell was seriously burned before she could be removed.

— A dispatch from Dobson, Surry county, on Tuesday, says: A poll of the delegates to the Republican county convention, which will meet at Dobson Saturday, shows that it will be impossible for Blackburn's friends to instrnct for him. Blackburn is losing ground. Reports that he has swept the county by an overwhelming majority are absolutely false.

— Winston Sentinel: Mr. Bryan says that the Southern newspapers are against him, but the Southern people are with him. Press and public are in accord in this section —both are for letting the dead past bury its dead and for harmouy in the Democratic party that it may be successful at the polls at the coming election.

— On Tuesday afternoon at Aurora, Beaufort county, the two children of Richard Sparrow, aged respectively seven and four years, while playing in the log yard of Mr. J. B. Whitehurst's mill, met with an accident that resulted in the death of the youngest child. The logs rolled together, killing instantly the youngest child. The elder child is not expected to live.

— Raleigh News and Observer: Col. W. C. P. Breckinridge declares that "there is no politics in political rascality." He might testify also that there is no political office in personal rascality. He lost his seat in Congress because of the Madeline Pollard case, "jined" the Radicals to "preserve the national honor" and fell like Lucifer. So may it be with all men whose private life is immoral.

— Raleigh *News and Observer*, March 23: Governor Aycock yesterday received a reduced sized copy of the handsome memorial to be delivered to Admiral Cervera in Madrid in recognition of his magnanimity in sending word to Sampson's fleet that Lietenant Hobson and his men were alive, after their dash into Santiago to block the passage. The design is in red and yellow, Spanish colors, and Governor Aycock is one of the signers.

—In the Superior Court at Charlotte Wednesday night the jury awarded Thomas A. Ratcliffe a verdict for $2,250 on account of the loss of three toes at the hands of the Southern Railway company. Ratcliffe, who was a brakeman, sued for $10,000 and alleged that the accident was caused by a defective coupler, which he was trying to manipulate at the time of the occurence.

—The postoffice at Winton, Hertford county, was blown up Monday night and about $40 in cash was secured. Stamps to the value of $150 were also taken. No clue as to the "crackers." The postmaster there is a negro—J. B. Cotus. The explosion did great damage to the postoffice building, and the buildings near by were more or less damaged by the shock.

— It is still unknown why the young lady at the Piney Woods Inn, at Southern Pines, drank laudanum Monday afternoon to kill herself. The prompt appearance of a physician and the free use of a stomach pump relieved her and death was narrowly averted. The young lady came from Sanford, and is of good family, and the cause of her act is a mystery.

— Raleigh Post: The cotton crop of the Old North State the past season was worth forty millions of good sound dollars. The farmers realized fully thirty millions of this sum, striking the average betwixt fluctuations. The next crop will be worth fully thirty millions to our farmers. This added to the income from tobacco, peanuts, fruits, vegetables, truck of various sort—the early fruits and vegetables being distinguished from the regular crop—breadstuffs, chickens, eggs and meats—beef, mutton and hogs—will all go to make "mighty good living" in the Old State for another year and will greatly help along the rapidly developing manufacturing which represents fully another one hundred million of dollars. The Old North State "points with pride" to these her jewels.

—Raleight Post: Coincident with the retirement of Hon. Oscar J. Spears from the position of Assistant District Attorney for the Eastern District of North Carolina, Dr. Booker T. Washington has a heart-to-heart talk with President Roosevelt lasting until midnight. And Dr. Washington is a warm friend of Attorney E. A. Johnson, now holding a position in the legal department of the District Court. The two Yale or Hartford Doctors—President Roosevelt and President Washington — are running these things to suit themselves, and Attorney Johnson's promotion is among the possibilities if not probabilities. (Johnson is a negro lawyer) —— Railroad men here were yesterday discussing a rumor that Mr. W. A. Towsley, assistant to President Barr of the Seaboard Air Line, will become superintendent of the system the first of April. The report was published in a Columbia, S. C., paper, but it has not been authenticated.

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TWINKLINGS

— Blobbs—Did you get a day off yesterday? Slobbs—Yes, but it was hard work.—Philadelphia Record.

— Good Man—Say, my lad, is that your first cigar? Bad Boy—No, but's it's me last one, so it ain't no use to ask for it.—Philadelphia Record.

— "What is a bore, pop?" "A bore, my son, is a person who succeeds in keeping the mouth of another person closed." — Yonkers Stateman.

— She Wore a Big Hat—Would you mind keeping that hat on? "Keep it on! Why, I was just about to take it off." "I know it. But I don't want to see any more of this play than I can help."—Life.

— Amateur—This is my latest attempt at a landscape. May I ask what you think of the prospective? Artist—The prospective is its strong point. The farther away you stand the better it looks.—Chicago Tribune.

— "Dey is folks in dis worl'," says Brother Williams, "dat would complain dat dey rest wuz bein' disturbed ef de sweetest o' de mockin'birds wuz singin' em ter sleep."—Atlanta Constitution.

—Uncle George—I don't see why you can't give your attention to Fannie Dermes. She comes of good old New England stock. Dick—I don't doubt it, Uncle George; but, you know, I never meddle with the stock market.—Boston Transcript.

— "Do you think that a man ought to speak the truth under all circumstances?" said Plodding Pete. "Of course not," replied Meandering Mike. "It 'ud sound foolish fer a man to keep sayin' guilty as indicted every time he was brought into court."—Washington Star.

— Why is your majesty so frequently reported dead?" inquired the Chinese empress' most intimate maid of honor. "It's a little idea of my own," was the answer. "It enables me to get even with editors who are remiss in the matter of obituary notices instead of waiting until it is too late."—Washington Star.

— Winston Sentinel: Spencer Blackburn returned from his home in Wilkes day before yesterday on his way to his home in Greensboro. He said that his home county of Ashe, as well as the Republicans of his home county of Watauga, were all for him. The Republicans of Stanley have given it out that they have grown tired of dividing their vote between Hon. E. S. Blackburn, of Guilford; ex-Congressman Spencer Blackburn, of Wilkes; E. Spencer Blackburn, Esq., of Ashe, and Spence Blackburn, of Watauga, and have decided to consolidate it on the Hon. A. H. Price, of Rowan.

— Reidsville Review: The investigation of the charge that a cotton mill in this State is employing children under twelve years of age is being pressed by the State labor commissioner, who will if other means fail, personally visit the mill against which this charge is made. It is said that in some mills children under twelve years of age are employed. The labor commissioner ought to make at once a close investigation of all mills, if necessary.

"Young Spenderly has been flying high since the death of his millionaire uncle." "Yes, he has found it smooth sailing since he came into his heirship."—Town Topics.

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COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET

(Quoted officially at the closing by the Chamber of Commerce.)

STAR OFFICE, March 23.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Nothing doing.

ROSIN—Nothing doing.

TAR—Market firm at $1.60 per barrel of 280 pounds.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Market firm at $2.25 per barrel for hard, $4.00 for dip, $4.00 for virgin.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine firm at 65c; rosin firm at $1.90@1.95; tar firm at $1.65; crude turpentine firm at $2.40, 4.00@4.00.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	2
Rosin	55
Tar	61
Crude turpentine	2

Receipts same day last year—15 casks spirits turpentine, 69 barrels rosin, 228 barrels tar, 13 barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market nominal.

Same day last year, market firm at 9½c for middling.

Receipts—10 bales; same day last year, 93.

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COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS—North Carolina, firm. Prime, 90c; extra prime, 95c; fancy, $1.00, per bushel of twenty-eight pounds. Virginia—Prime, 85c; extra prime, 90c; fancy, 95c. Spanish, $1.05.

CORN—Firm, 57½@60c per bushel for white.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 12½@13c per pound; shoulders, 12½c; sides, 12½c.

EGGS—Dull at 10@12½c per dozen.

CHICKENS—Firm. Grown, 25@35c; springs, 15@22c.

TURKEYS—Firm at 12½@13c for live.

BEESWAX—Firm at 25@26c.

TALLOW—Firm at 5½@6½c per pound.

SWEET POTATOES—Firm at 60@65c per bushel.

BEEF CATTLE—Firm at 2½@4c per pound.

FINANCIAL MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 23.—Money on call easy at 1½@1¾ per cent; last bid 1½ per cent., offered at 1¾ per cent.; time loans steady and more active; sixty days 3 per cent.; ninety days 3¼@3½ per ct.; six months 3¾@4 per ct. Prime mercantile paper 4½@5 per cent. Sterling exchange firm, with actual business in bankers' bills at 487.10@487.15 for demand and at 484.35@484.40 for sixty-day bills. Posted rates were 486 and 488. Commercial bills 484@485½. Bar silver 55¾. Mexican dollars 44¼. U. S. refunding 2's, registered, 105¼; U. S. refunding 2's, coupon, 105⅝; U.S. 3's, reg'd, 106¼; do. coupon, 106¼; U. S. 4's, new, reg'd, 132⅝; U. S. 4's, new, coupon, 132⅝; U. S. 4's, old, reg'd, 107; do. coupons, 108; U. S. 5's, registered, —; do. coupon, —; Southern Railway, 5's, 113. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio pref'd 89; Chesapeake & Ohio 32½; Manhattan L 143¼; New York Central 117; Reading 44½; do. 1st pref'd, 78; do. 2nd pref'd 59; Southern Railway 22¼; do. pref'd 85¼; Amalgamated Copper 48¼; People's Gas 97½; Tennessee Coal and Iron 38¼; U. S. Leather 7; U. S. Leather, preferred, 78; Western Union 88; U. S. Steel 11¼; do. preferred 58; Virginia Carolina Chemical, 30¼; sales 400 shares; do. preferred, closed 103; sales — shares. Standard Oil 618.

BALTIMORE, MD., March 23.—Seaboard Air Line, common, 10¼ bid; do. preferred, 17¼; do. bonds, fours, —. Atlantic Coast Line, common, 107@108; do. preferred, nothing doing.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 23.—Rosin quiet. Spirits turpentine quiet.

CHARLESTON, March 23.—Spirits turpentine and rosin nominal; nothing doing. Quotations omitted.

SAVANNAH, March 23.—Spirits turpentine was dull at 58c; receipts 114 casks; sales 157 casks; exports 110 casks. Rosin was firm; receipts 746 barrels; sales 395 barrels; exports 615 barrels. Quote: A, B, C, $2 50; D, $2 50; E, $2 55; F, $2 60; G, $2 65; H, $2 70; I, $2 95; K, $3 30; M, $3 35; N, $3 50; W G, $3 70; W W $4 00.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

NEW YORK, March 23.—The cotton market opened easy at a decline of six to fourteen points, under liquidation, with May selling down from 13.35 to 13.30 on the call in spite of better cables than expected. There seemed to be considerable selling, thought to be for the account of a Wall street bear clique, and at first fluctuations, while irregular, were indicative of lack of confidence and nervousness. The fact, however, that the call had passed over without further difficulties helped the market, and the statement given out by the president of the Exchange to the effect that the losses resulting from the Sully failure fell upon the strongest and most conservative houses in the trade, warranting no further apprehensions, also tended to increase confidence, and it soon became evident that the market was meeting with good support. May advanced to 13.65 and July to 13.75, net gains of about twenty points, when rumors that the New Orleans bulls were in difficulties caused a renewal of apprehensions; the room sold out, there was another bear drive and prices broke down to about the low level. Then light estimate for to morrow's receipts at Galveston helped the market and there was a half-hearted rally to about the closing prices of yesterday. At this point business became less active and as the afternoon wore away apprehensions were felt as to the developments on the afternoon call. This point was safely passed, however, and immediately afterward it seemed that the trade became still more confident. There was an active buying movement by shorts and room operators with the highest prices of the day in the late trading when May reached 13.85 and July 14.05. The close was at the top and firm with the net advance a matter of twenty-two to forty-five points. Sales were estimated at 500,000 bales. Port receipts for the day were full and the estimates for to-morrow at Houston and New Orleans were larger than expected. Reports from the South, however, indicated that mills were active buyers at present prices whenever cotton of a desirable grade was offered. The apparent stability of the spot markets and the impression that the financial difficulties resulting from the collapse of the recent bull leader had been bridged over successfully seemed to be exerting considerable influence on sentiment, and the active buying immediately preceding the call led to the idea that the market had been oversold, and that shorts were anxious to cover before the issuance of the final report of the census bureau on Friday.

NEW YORK, March 23.—Cotton was dull at 14.00c, net receipts 150 bales; gross receipts 3,978 bales; stock 93,558 bales.

Spot cotton closed quiet; middling uplands 14.00; middling gulf 14.25c; sales 211 bales.

Cotton futures market closed firm; March 13.63, April 13.62, May 13.84, June 13.98, July 14.04, August 13.51, September 12.42, October 11.65, November 11.58, December 11.52.

Total to-day, at all seaports—Net receipts 14,574 bales; exports to Great Britain 5,890 bales; exports to France — bales; exports to the Continent 8,351 bales; exports to Japan — bales; exports to Mexico — bales; stock 552,055 bales.

Consolidated, at all seaports—Net receipts 45,558 bales; exports to Great Britain 12,652 bales; exports to France — bales; exports to the Continent 40,106 bales; exports to Japan 50 bales; exports to Mexico — bales.

Total since September 1st, at all seaports—Net receipts 6,634,642 bales; exports to Great Britain 2,030,933 bales; exports to France 647,114 bales; exports to the Continent 2,317,000 bales; exports to Japan 39,021 bales; exports to Mexico 35,471 bales.

March 23.—Galveston, firm at 14c, net receipts 4,863 bales; Norfolk, not received, net receipts 2,500 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 14.25, net receipts — bales; Boston, dull at 14.00, net receipts 247 bales; Wilmington, nominal at —, net receipts 10 bales; Philadelphia, steady at 14.25, net receipts 52 bale; Savannah, nominal at —, net receipts 942 bales; New Orleans, steady at 13¾, net receipts 5,560 bales; Mobile, nominal at 14⅛c, net receipts 245 bales; Memphis, quiet at 14c, net receipts 1,191 bales; Augusta, nominal at 14c, net receipts 413 bales; Charleston, steady at —c, net receipts 5 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 23.—Flour was dull and nominally lower. Rye flour weak. Wheat—Spot steady; No. 2 red $1 02. Options displayed excessive weakness, losing over 1c per bushel under heavy liquidation. In the last hour they rallied on covering and a better Western cash demand, closing unchanged to ⅜c net lower; May closed 95⅝c; July closed 91½c; September closed 84c. Corn—Spot dull; No. 2 nominal. Option market was more active, closing unchanged to ⅜c net lower; May closed 56⅞c; July closed 54⅝c. Oats—Spot easy; No. 2 46½c. Lard weak; Western steam $7 25; compound 6¼@6⅞c. Butter firm; extra fresh creamery 24@24½; State dairy 14@21c. Cheese steady; State, full cream fancy, small colored, September 12; late made 10⅝; small white, September 12; late made 10⅝c. Eggs firm; State and Pennsylvania nearby average finest 17. Pork dull. Peanuts steady; fancy hand-picked 5½c; other domestic 3½@6½c. Potatoes firm; Long Island $3 00@3 37; Jerseys $2 75@3 12; Jersey sweets $1 50@4 00; State and Western sacks $2 65@2 75. Cabbage firm; domestic, per ton, $25 00@35 00; Florida, barrel and crate, $3 00@3 25. Freights to Liverpool—Cotton by steam 10c. Molasses firm. Sugar—Raw firm; refined firm. Tallow steady. Rice firm; domestic, fair to extra, 3½@5c. Cotton seed oil was only moderate, the demand being chiefly for spot. Futures were quiet and lower Prime crude, f. o. b. mills, 29@30c; prime summer yellow 36½c; off summer yellow nominal; prime white 41c; prime winter yellow 41½c.

CHICAGO, March 23.—Startling crop damage reports from Indiana caused a sharp rally in wheat late to-day. Declines occasioned by general selling on favorable weather were not entirely overcome, however, the July delivery closing at a net loss of ½@⅝c. Corn is up a shade. Oats are down ⅜c and provisions 2½@12½c.

CHICAGO, March 23.—Cash prices: Flour was dull and steady. Wheat—No. 2 spring 90@97; No. 3 spring 80@96c; No. 2 red 91¼@95¼c. Corn—No. 2 50½c; No. 2 yellow 51½c. Oats—No. 2 38½@38¾c; No. 2 white—; No. 3 white 38⅝@41c. Rye—No. 2, 68c. Mess pork, per bbl., closed quoted at $12 87½@13 00. Lard, per 100 lbs, $6 72½@6 75. Short rib sides, loose, $6 50@6 62½. Dry salted shoulders, boxed, no report. Short clear sides, boxed, $7 25@7 37½. Whiskey—Basis of high wines, $1 28.

The leading futures ranged as follows—opening, highest, lowest and closing: Wheat—No. 2 May 91½@91⅝, 92¼, 91¼, 92c; July, old, 86⅝@87¼, 87¼, 85⅝, 86¼@86⅞c; do., new, 85⅝@85⅞, 86, 84⅝, 85⅝c; September, old, 81⅜@81½, 82¼, 81½, 82⅛c; do., new, 80⅜@80⅝, 81⅛, 80, 81c. Corn—No. 2 May 51⅛@52, 52, 50⅛@50⅝, 52c; July 49@49¼, 49¼, 48½, 48⅞c; September 48⅛@48½, 49¼, 48, 48⅞c. Oats—No. 2 May 39@39⅛, 39¼, 38½, 39⅛c; July 37⅛, 37⅜, 37, 37⅛c; September 31⅜@32, 32, 31¼, 31⅛@31⅛c. Mess pork, per bbl—May $13 07½, 13 07½, 12 75, 12 92½; July $13 25, 13 27½, 12 95, 13 12½. Lard, per 100 lbs—May $6 92½, 6 92½, 6 85, 6 90; July $7 10, 7 10, 6 97½, 7 05. Short ribs, per 100 lbs—May $6 80, 6 80, 6 67½, 6 77½; July $6 92½, 6 92½, 6 85, 6 90.

NEW YORK COFFEE FUTURES.

NEW YORK, March 23.—Coffee—Spot Rio steady; No. 7 invoice 6⅝c; mild steady; Cordova 10@13c. The market for coffee futures opened steady at unchanged prices to an advance of 10 points on steady European cables and continued light Brazilian receipts, but offerings were not aggressive and the close was firm at a net advance of 10@20 points. Sales 207,000 bags.

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LIVERPOOL, March 23.—Cotton: Spot, in limited demand; prices easier; American middling fair 7.90d; good middling 7.74d; middling 7.64d; low middling 7.54d; good ordinary 7.44d; ordinary 7.24d. The sales of the day were 5,000 bales, of which 500 bales were for speculation and export and included 4,600 bales American. Receipts 7,000 bales, including 6,900 bales American.

Futures opened quiet and steady and closed steady; American middling (g o c): March 7.37d; March and April 7.34d; April and May 7.31d; May and June 7.29d; June and July 7.27d; July and August 7.24d; August and September 7.04d; September and October 6.37d; October and November 6.07d; November and December 5.97d.

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A. & Y. Railroad—2 casks spirits turpentine, 55 barrels rosin, 1 barrel tar.

W. & N. Railroad—2 barrels crude turpentine.

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State of North Carolina, County of New Hanover, } In the Superior Court.

M. M. Mahn, Guardian,
vs.
H. M. Bowden.

This is an action brought by plaintiff against the defendant for the recovery of thirteen hundred dollars borrowed money with interest at eight per cent. from July 1, 1891; that an attachment has been issued against the defendant and levied upon a one-third undivided interest of the defendant in and to a certain lot of Land in the City of Wilmington, being parts Lots 1 and 2 Block 219, and same conveyed by J. C. Bowden to H. M. Bowden, Trustee, by deed duly registered in Book A A A, page 619 of the records of New Hanover county. And it appearing to the Court that the defendant is a non-resident and has property in this State and cannot after due diligence be found in this State, and that a cause of action exists in plaintiff's favor against the defendant for the recovery of the said sum of thirteen hundred dollars, due by said promissory note.

Now notice is hereby given that the defendant be and appear before the Superior Court of this county to be held on the fourth day of April, 1904, and answer or demur to the complaint this day filed, or judgment will be granted according to the prayer thereof.

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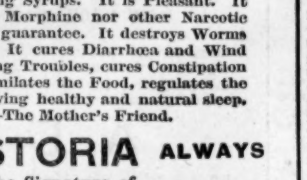
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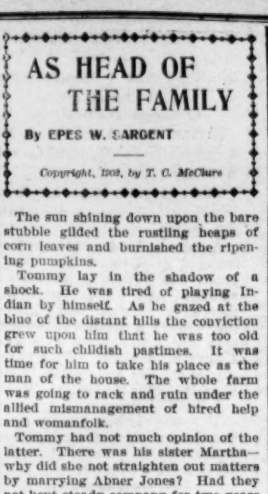
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The sun shining down upon the bare stubble gilded the rustling heaps of corn leaves and burnished the ripening pumpkins.

Tommy lay in the shadow of a shock. He was tired of playing Indian by himself. As he gazed at the blue of the distant hills the conviction grew upon him that he was too old for such childish pastimes. It was time for him to take his place as the man of the house. The whole farm was going to rack and ruin under the allied mismanagement of hired help and womanfolk.

Tommy had not much opinion of the latter. There was his sister Martha—why did she not straighten out matters by marrying Abner Jones? Had they not kept steady company for two years before the quarrel of the spring? Had not Abner the next farm, a tidy one with an orchard full of apples? Tommy smacked his lips as he remembered the apples. Had he not the smartest horse and buggy in the township? He had given Tommy many a ride in the days before the quarrel. And should all these good things be wasted for the sake of a girl's contrariness? Tommy gave a disgusted grunt. What ailed girls anyway that made them so full of whims? Catch him ever falling in love with one of the pesky creatures! Abner, however, had a bad case. He had tried to make up—Tommy had seen him. It was Martha who refused. Tommy must certainly interfere as head of the family. But how?

Here he shifted his position against the shock. Something was knuckling into his back. He drew it from behind him. It was an ear of corn, and as the leaves fell away from one end Tommy saw that it was red. He stared at it a moment resentfully, but suddenly his face cleared. With one of his favorite Indian warwhoops he began dancing around the shock. An idea had come to him. Just what he



THE FIRST RED EAR.

did for the next hour only the sun and some inquisitive crows know, and they have never told.

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Abner Jones was mending harness in the shade of the great barn door. A shadow crossed the patch of sunlight just beyond him. He looked up and saw Tommy.

"Morning, Tommy," he said cordially. "Glad to see you."

Tommy sat down on a nearby bench, but after a few polite inquiries the conversation languished. Abner looked at him curiously. Such silence was not like Tommy. He evidently had something on his mind.

Tommy had, but it took some minutes of screwing around on his seat before he opened up the subject.

"I s'pose you know that we're goin' to have a corn husking up at our place t'morrow night?" he asked at length.

Abner nodded. Of course he knew it. He had been thinking about it all morning, thinking of last year when Martha—

Tommy's voice broke in upon his musing. "I s'pose you're goin' to be there?"

A flush burned through all the tan of Abner's cheek. "No, I'm not coming. I haven't been invited," he said bitterly.

Tommy stood up and laid a persuasive hand upon his knee. "That's jest what I come over about," he said earnestly. "I come to invite you as head of the family."

Abner stared at him in astonishment. But Tommy was now started, and he launched forth into glowing eulogy of his plan. Abner lent at first an incredulous and then a willing ear. In the end Tommy conquered his doubts.

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They say that the bravest deeds go unheralded. Certain it is that it took the truest heroism for a boy like Tommy to say to Martha the next evening, "Oh, I saw Abner Jones yesterday an' invited him to come tonight, an' he's comin'!"

Martha neither cried nor fainted, though her cheeks, to Tommy's excited gaze, grew undoubtedly paler. Her voice may have trembled a little as she said quietly, "Very well, Tommy."

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In the dingy light of the barn that evening Martha's cheeks were the pinkest. Her eyes shone like stars. After "Good evening, Mr. Jones," had been as cool as politeness admitted, but her whilom suitor seemed nowise abashed. He teased the girls and joked with the men and helped Tommy to bring in the great heaps of corn.

Tommy had an air of grave importance as he distributed the armfuls. He kept an anxious glance on Martha and when she finally seated herself in one corner hastened to put an armful down by her side. "That's Abner's place," he said to Tom Perkins when he tried to seize the pile. His tone was so decided that Tom looked elsewhere for a partner.

Martha was silent when Abner took his place beside her. Suddenly the young man gave a cry—"The first red ear!" He turned and kissed Martha. She allowed it, passively, it is true, but she allowed it. Abner's heart was singing for joy.

Another moment and he uncovered another red ear. Again he kissed Martha. Again she suffered it. Abner grew bold. Others were finding the coveted ears and distributing their favors, but it was he who seemed to be the lucky one. Again and again he was entitled to claim the forfeit of a kiss. He always turned to Martha. The girl's cheeks flamed. Tears were shining in her blue eyes. "Don't, Abner," she whispered beseechingly as he bent toward her.

"Why not, Martha?"

The girl dropped her eyes. "You are making everybody talk," she said deprecatingly.

"Who cares?" he said recklessly. "I don't, if you don't. And, Martha, you know how you can stop their talking." He seized her hand. "We've made up, dear; haven't we?" he asked.

Martha raised her eyes to his, and in their violet depths he read her answer.

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They were saying "Good night!" on the porch after all the rest had gone. "But, Abner," she asked wonderingly, "all of your ears were red. How did you manage it?"

Abner laughed. He could afford to laugh now, with Martha's hand held fast as surety that they had made up forevermore. "Oh, you must ask Tommy," he said easily. "He managed it in his capacity as head of the family."

"But I won't be head of the family any more," said a small voice. "You're head now, Abe, an' I'm awful glad. It was hard work." And Tommy rolled out of the hammock and slid off to the bed and the rest he had earned so faithfully.

A Horse's Expression of Grief.

A horse not only sheds tears under the emotion of grief, but in moments of sudden or intolerable anguish utters a most melancholy cry. In one of Cooper's novels dramatic use is made of the scream of a wounded horse, and Lord Erskine in a speech made in the house of lords upon the bill for enforcing humanity toward animals noticed this remarkable fact. An eyewitness related the following:

On the advance to the heights of Alma a battery of artillery became exposed to the fire of a concealed Russian battery, and in the course of a few minutes it was nearly destroyed, men and horses killed and wounded, guns dismounted and limbers broken. On passing this wreck shortly afterward I observed a single horse still attached and unhurt. By its side on the ground lay its late master, quite dead. The poor brute had turned round as far as possible toward him, with its head to the ground, smelling the body, and there were copious tears flowing from its eyes. It looked so like a human being in dire distress that I could not forget the sad expression for several days. —London Tit-Bits.

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Remember the Opening. The young ladies in the store will be glad to see you. They are taking great pains to have the store decorated and we will have music in the store both days, Wednesday and Thursday. Our store will close at 7 o'clock in the evening and the opening will be only during the day.

We have quite a large force of millliners in our work room and they are all high grade experienced trimmers, milliners of long experience, and we feel quite sure if ladies are looking for millinery in any of its forms, we can serve them to their advantage as well as ours. We have our millinery on our second floor and our elevator is now in perfect condition and it will be no trouble to get up stairs as the elevator will carry you up and bring you down. On this floor there is nothing for sale but ladies' goods.

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Don't forget the opening and be sure to attend on next Wednesday and Thursday, the 23rd and 24th.

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Time Table No. 16



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GOING EAST. 3 Pass'g'r Trains Arrive	GOING EAST. 3 Pass'g'r Trains Leave	STATIONS.	GOING WEST. 4 Pass'g'r Trains Arrive	GOING WEST. 4 Pass'g'r Trains Leave
P. M.	P. M		A. M.	A. M.
.....	3 40	Goldsboro	11 05	.....
.....	4 32	Kinston	10 12	.....
5 09	5 50	Newbern	9 27	9 00
7 09	6 07	Morehead City	7 25	7 27
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

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†6.10 P. M.	7.00 P. M	.....
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Schedule In Effect Jan. 10, 1904.

NORTHBOUND.

	No 48	No 42
Lv Wilmington	9 30 a m	6 50 p m
Ar Goldsboro	12 21 p m	9 32 p m
Ar Wilson	1 16 p m	10 25 p m
Ar Rocky Mount	1 55 p m	11 10 p m
Ar Norfolk	5 55 p m	.....
Ar Weldon	4 58 p m	1 43 a m
Ar Petersburg	6 55 p m	3 35 a m
Ar Richmond	7 45 p m	4 07 a m
Ar Washington	11 50 p m	7 54 a m
Ar Baltimore	1 43 a m	9 09 a m
Ar Philadelphia	4 25 a m	11 22 a m
Ar New York	7 30 a m	2 00 p m

SOUTHBOUND.

	No 41	No 49
Lv New York	9 25 a m	9 25 p m
Ar Philadelphia	11 55 a m	12 01 a m
Ar Baltimore	2 07 p m	2 32 a m
Ar Washington	3 21 p m	3 45 a m
Ar Norfolk	.....	9 00 a m
Ar Richmond	7 15 p m	8 38 a m
Ar Petersburg	8 08 p m	9 45 a m
Ar Weldon	9 51 p m	11 50 a m
Ar Rocky Mount	10 51 p m	1 10 p m
Ar Wilson	11 39 p m	2 00 p m
Ar Goldsboro	6 45 a m	3 10 p m
Ar Wilmington	10 10 a m	6 00 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND THE SOUTH.

SOUTHBOUND

	Daily Ex. Sunday.	Daily.	Daily.
Lv Wilmington	6 00 a m	3 20 p m	6 50 p m
Ar Florence	9 25 a m	7 30 p m	8 55 a m
Ar Charleston	1 10 p m	11 25 p m	6 45 a m
Ar Savannah	6 45 p m	2 50 a m	9 02 a m
Ar Jacksonville	.....	8 40 a m	1 45 p m
Ar Tampa	.....	7 05 p m	10 35 p m

NORTHBOUND.

	Daily Ex. Sunday.	Daily
Lv Tampa	8 05 p m	9 30 a m
Ar Jacksonville	8 00 a m	7 00 p m
Ar Savannah	1 10 p m	1 15 a m
Ar Charleston	5 14 p m	6 58 a m
Ar Florence	7 59 p m	9 35 a m
Ar Wilmington	11 45 p m	1 40 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND SANFORD.

	West Bound Daily	East Bound Daily
Lv Wilmington	9 10 a m	Ar 3 00 p m
Ar Fayetteville	12 15 p m	Ar 4 55 p m
Ar Sanford	1 55 p m	Lv 5 40 p m

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Schedule in Effect Jan. 10, 1904.

TRAIN 39 Leaves Wilmington 3:10 p. m. arrives Lumberton 5:35 p. m., Pembroke 6:00 p m, Maxton 6:45 p m, Hamlet 7:35 p m arrive Charlotte 10:45 p m.

TRAIN 15 Leaves Wilmington 9:00 p m, arrives Lumberton 3:15 a m, Pembroke 3:55 a m, Maxton 4:05 a m, Hamlet 6:00 a m.

TRAIN 40 Leaves Charlotte 5:01 a m, Hamlet 8:40 a m, arrives Maxton 9:25 a m, Pembroke 10:03 a m, Lumberton 10:27 a m, Wilmington 12:45 p m.

TRAIN 14 Leaves Hamlet 10:45 p m, arrives Maxton 12:35 a m, Pembroke 1:20 a m, Lumberton 2:15 a m, Wilmington 7:00 a m.

WESTBOUND FROM HAMLET.

Hamlet	7 35 a m	10 15 p m
Ar Monroe	9 10 a m	11 55 a m
Ar Charlotte	10 05 a m	.....
Ar Chester	10 50 a m	1 10 a m
Ar Greenwood	12 53 p m	3 31 a m
Ar Athens	2 50 p m	5 55 a m
Ar Atlanta	8 55 p m	7 30 a m

SOUTHBOUND FROM HAMLET.

Lv Hamlet	7 15 a m	10 10 p m
Ar Columbia	10 30 a m	1 00 a m
Ar Savannah	2 30 p m	4 45 a m
Ar Jacksonville	7 00 p m	9 00 a m
Ar Tampa	6 15 a m	8 35 p m

NORTHBOUND FROM HAMLET.

Lv Hamlet	10 30 p m	8 50 a m
Ar Raleigh	1 15 a m	11 30 a m
Ar Norlina	3 23 a m	1 30 p m
Ar Portsmouth	7 50 a m	5 30 p m
Ar Norfolk		
Lv Hamlet	10 30 p m	7 30 a m
Ar Raleigh	1 15 a m	10 55 a m
Ar Norlina	3 23 a m	1 30 p m
Ar Richmond	6 10 a m	4 56 p m
Ar Washington	9 50 a m	8 36 p m
Ar Baltimore	11 53 p m	11 25 p m
Ar New York	4 15 p m	8 10 p m

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Lv Philadelphia	3 25 p m
Lv Baltimore	5 45 p m
Lv Washington	7 00 p m
Lv Richmond	10 25 p m
Ar Raleigh (Johnson St)	2 10 a m
Ar Southern Pines	3 54 a m
Lv Hamlet	4 50 a m
Ar Camden	6 35 a m
Ar Columbia (E. T.)	7 34 a m
Lv Columbia (C. T.)	6 20 a m
Ar Savannah	9 45 a m
Ar Thalmann	11 30 a m
Ar Jacksonville	1 30 p m
Lv Jacksonville	1 30 p m
Ar St. Augustine	2 30 p m

NORTHBOUND.

Lv St. Augustine	12 10 p m
Ar Jacksonville	1 10 p m
Lv Jacksonville	4 39 p m
Lv Thalmann	8 07 P M
Lv Savannah	5 00 p m
Ar Columbia (C. T.)	8 30 p m
Lv Columbia (E. T.)	9 25 p m
Lv Camden	9 14 p m
Ar Hamlet	11 55 p m
Ar Southern Pines	12 45 p m
Lv Raleigh	2 42 a m
Ar Richmond	6 45 a m
Ar Washington	10 10 a m
Ar Baltimore	11 33 a m
Ar Philadelphia	1 45 p m
Ar Jersey City	3 55 p m
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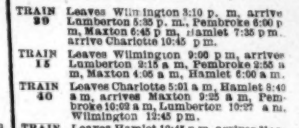
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THURSDAY MORNING, MARCH 24.

POSTOFFICE DEPARTMENT.

Aggressive Tactics Decided Upon by Democratic Senators to Air Demands for an Investigation.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, March 23.—Aggressive tactics have been decided upon by the Democratic members of the Senate to air their demands for an investigation by Congress of the Postoffice Department. Notice to that effect was served upon the Senate Committee on Postoffices and Postroads to day by the Democratic members, when the committee again put off the requests of Senators Gorman and Clay that one of the resolutions, now pending in the committee looking to a congressional investigation, be reported to the Senate. The pending resolutions were introduced by Senator Penrose, chairman of the committee, and Senators Gorman and Carmack. After considerable delay the resolutions were referred to the Postoffice Committee and no action has been taken toward reporting them back. Democratic senators have persistently urged that any one of the resolutions be reported, but the demands have been combatted by the Republicans on the grounds that there is no necessity for an investigation that has not been made or that cannot be made by the Postoffice Department itself.

The plan of the Democratic senators is now to offer a new resolution calling attention to the former resolutions and to the fact that they have been permitted to sleep in the committee. This would bring the entire question before the Senate. It has been conceded by the Democratic senators that the resolution which they proposed to bring in will come no nearer adoption than the ones sent to the Postoffice Committee, but they assert that the effect will be to bring out a full debate, which it is estimated will last a week at least.

FAILURE OF SULLY & CO.

Statement of President of the New York Cotton Exchange—Sensational Developments Expected.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 23.—R. P. McDougall, president of the Cotton Exchange, made the following statement to-day relative to the conditions of the market:

"The losses in consequence of the failure of D. J. Sully & Company fall on some of the most conservative houses in the trade; firms that are well able to withstand them without inconvenience.

"There is no warrant for any further apprehension, especially as consumers are making inquiries for spot cotton, which introduces an element of safety and stability that has been lacking of late."

It was said on the Cotton Exchange to-day that sensational developments are expected when the receivers begin their investigation of Sully's books. These books, it was reported, contain records of the transactions made by at least two of the capitalists who are said to have backed the Sully deal, and the creditors expressed the belief that these records would enable them to reach the men responsible for the Sully contracts.

It was reported to-night that Daniel J. Sully will be asked to-morrow by the creditors of the firm of Daniel J. Sully & Company to make another proposition for settlement. It was stated that the acceptance of this proposition, if at all satisfactory, would be practically certain and would involve the immediate reinstatement of Sully on the Cotton Exchange.

The action was brought about, it was stated, by the fact that bankruptcy proceedings would be long drawn out and that certain creditors with large claims would be seriously affected by the delay in getting ready money.

It was said that this action was probably hastened by the report that Lehman Brothers and Atwood, Violet & Company had retained Samuel Untermyer to institute supplementary proceedings against the alleged members of the bull pool who are said to have deserted Mr. Sully.

THE EIGHT HOUR BILL.

Opponents of Measure Before Senate Committee on Education and Labor.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, March 23.—In a discussion of the confusion which opponents of the eight-hour bill declared would follow the enactment of that measure into law, Frederick W. Job, secretary of the Employers' Union of Chicago, to-day said to the Senate Committee on Education and Labor, that he did not believe the labor leaders of the country represented the real views of the rank and file of working men, organized or unorganized. Mr. Job called attention to labor troubles where non-union men had been beaten down with clubs or shot, and said that the official organs of organized labor never had contained one word of condemnation of these crimes.

Daniel A. Tompkins, of North Carolina, was questioned in regard to child labor in the South and answered that the manufacturing interests of the South were now recovering from the labor restrictions caused by the slavery system. Slavery was a form of restriction, he said, but the improvement for all classes in the South was progressing without legislation, and would work satisfactorily without legislation better than with it.

Judge W. H. Brawley, in the United States Circuit Court, at Charleston, has ordered the sale of the DeKalb cotton mills, of Camden, S. C., for the benefit of creditors. The upset price is fixed at $150,000, and the date of sale is left to Special Master Thomas C. Duncan.

It Saved His Leg.

P. A. Danforth, of LaGrange, Ga., suffered for six months with a frightful running sore on his leg; but he writes that Bucklen's Arnica Salve wholly cured it in five days. For Ulcers, Wounds and Piles it's the best salve in the world. Cure guaranteed. Only 25c. Sold by R. R. BELLAMY, druggist.

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SENATE DEBATE ON CIVIL SERVICE.

Application of the Principle to Employes on the Panama Canal Discussed.

POSTOFFICE APPROPRIATIONS

Under Consideration in the House—The Star Route Service Criticised and Amount Scaled Down—The Rural Free Delivery.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, March 23.—The Senate again spent the greater part of the day considering the Indian Appropriation bill. Three hours of the time was given to the discussion of a claim of $50,000 for services rendered the Choctaw Indians and the amendment was defeated. The civil service debate was renewed and there was considerable discussion of the policy to be pursued in securing employes for work on the Panama canal. The bill was still under consideration when the Senate adjourned.

Mr. Gorman, discussing the civil service, said the President, in his instructions to the Isthmian canal commission has receded from his advanced position on the general application of the civil service principle. No one had ever supposed originally, he said, that the principle would be applied to minor places as it had been. He wanted the door opened to the small places, "as it has now been opened by the President to all who can live on the isthmus of Panama and do work in "connection with the canal."

Mr. Hoar said that the supplying of employes for the canal work was a very different thing from filling the places in the executive departments, and expressed the opinion that places connected with the canal should be selected on the recommendation of public men, and he would do this regardless of the politics of the men consulted or chosen to office.

Otherwise the selections might be as unsatisfactory as are those made under the present system in vogue in filling Federal places in the Southern States. Turning to the point thus raised by himself, Mr. Hoar said that if he "were President he would invite the confidence of senators and representatives from the Southern States regardless of their political affiliations, in the matter of appointments to office."

Mr. Clay commended the position taken on the subject of appointments in the Southern States, and said he believed that such a course would be in accord with the constitution.

House of Representatives.

When the House adjourned to day some progress had been made in the reading of the Postoffice Appropriation bill for amendment, but only six pages were disposed of. The appropriation for the railway service was carefully scrutinized, and in the case of inland mail transportation by star routes the appropriation was scaled down from $3,100,000 to $7,850,000.

An animated debate arose over this proposition.

Mr. Rixey, Virginia, declared that no effort had been made by the department to better the star route service, and inquired why there was so much difference in the pay of rural carriers and star route carriers.

"Because," interjected Mr. Griggs, Georgia, a member of the committee, "the rural free delivery service has grown into a vast political machine." Star route carriers, he asserted, receive very much less pay.

Mr. Maddox, of Georgia, maintained that until the rural service was established and put in operation the department made no effort to better the star route service at all. But for the rural service, he said, the department would be running a one-eyed mule or a Texas pony all over the country, and no member of Congress would admit to a foreigner that it was the United States mail.

An amendment by Mr. Tawney, of Minnesota, was adopted, providing that no part of the appropriation shall be used for the rental of cars which have been in service for more than fifteen years.

An unsuccessful fight was made against the provision in the bill making appropriations for special mail facilities over trunk lines, south from Washington and west from Kansas City.

Mr. Mott, of Tennessee, moved to strike out the entire provision appropriating $142,728 for special mail facilities on trunk lines from Washington to Atlanta and New Orleans. Without debate the amendment, on a vote by tellers, was lost—80 to 88.

During an argument by Mr. Cowherd, in favor of the present rates paid railroads for carrying mails, he was interrupted by Mr. Baker, of New York, who, with some passion, inquired "if the gentleman maintains that men who have railroad passes in their pockets are not prejudiced in favor of railroads?"

Mr. Cowherd replied, amid applause, that he would leave it to the House whether he had been so influenced.

Mr. Baker excitedly declared that there were some members who have been influenced, which called forth rebuke from the chair, who said that Mr. Baker had again transgressed the rules of orderly procedure in the House.

The House adjourned until to-morrow.

THREE PERSONS KILLED.

Suffocated by Illuminating Gas in a New York Tenement House.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 23.—Three persons were killed by illuminating gas in a five-story tenement in East Eleventh street to-day, and many occupants of neighboring flats were more or less overcome. The dead are: Otto Grossman, 35 years old, a hostler; Jennie Grossman, 32 years, his wife; Rosie Longfeller, 33 years old, a seamstress boarding with the Grossmans.

Two gas jets were found turned on full head. According to the neighbors Grossman several times threatened to turn on the gas and end his life and that of his wife.

MACEDONIAN TROUBLE.

Ten Thousand Albanians Surrounded by Twelve Battalions of Turkish Troops

By Cable to the Morning Star.

SALONICA, MACEDONIA, March 23.—Twelve battalions of Turkish troops, commanded by Shakir Pasha, have surrounded 10,000 Albanians at Babalepe. Shakir Pasha has asked for reinforcements. Ten additional battalions will be sent to him. Pending their arrival Shakir Pasha is negotiating with the Albanians.

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LETTER FROM GEN. MILES.

Suggests That the Temperance People Hold Their Convention After Those of Other Two Parties Are Held.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 23.—Rev. James B. Dunn, D. D., of this city, has received a letter from General Nelson A. Miles, dated March 18th, which says:

"Our country is now confronted by a situation and is called upon to decide questions of the greatest moment. Not since the adoption of our constitution have greater responsibilities rested upon the sovereign voters of this country than those which will be placed upon them during the coming autumn.

"It is a rule as old as Holy Writ that temperance is one of the seven cardinal virtues. Is not its advocacy consistent with a like zealous advocacy of great national questions not directly involving it? The two great political parties of nearly equal strength that divide the country will make nominations and announce platforms within the next few months. Should either make such a nomination and announce such principles as will command the approval and cordial support of those whom you represent, the opportunity to advance the objects of the Temperance party would be offered, while, at the same time, the patriotic men composing that party would contribute most essentially to the uplifting of our country from menacing evils.

"Should no nomination be made by either of the great parties that would command the cordial support of the Temperance people, the opportunity to make a nomination of its own would still remain.

"For the reasons herein briefly indicated, I am strongly of the opinion that it would not be advisable for the Temperance party to hold its convention until after it has had an opportunity to observe the action of the other two."

BUFFALO BILL AND HIS WIFE.

The Colonel Seeking Divorce—Says Mrs. Cody Tried to Poison Him—Frequently Threatened Him.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

DENVER, COL., March 23.—Colonel William F. Cody (Buffalo Bill), made a deposition before a notary public in this city to-day in the action for divorce which he has begun in Big Horn county, Wyoming.

"Mrs. Cody tried to poison me three years ago," the Colonel testified. "She frequently threatened to do it. We were visiting in Rochester, N. Y., during the holidays of 1900, and the day after Christmas I was ill. I supposed the turkey and plum pudding did not agree with me. She said she would fix me up. She pretended to give me medicine. It was poison. It almost finished me, for I was unconscious for some time. I think it must have been an overdose, for it made me vomit and I suppose this saved my life."

Colonel Cody related many instances of his wife having humiliated him at his former home in North Platte by her conduct toward his guests. "She drove my friends away," he said, "when they were no longer welcome in the handsome residence I had built and elaborately furnished it was no longer my home."

The witness recited many specific instances of his wife's alleged discourtesy to his guests.

Mrs. Cody's counsel inquired into the character of the guests to whom she objected, and into their conduct while at her home. The purpose of the inquiry was to show that the men whom he brought to the house were a fast and riotous set and behaved in such a manner that she had a right to object to them.

IN FAVOR OF RAILROADS.

Decision of Interstate Commerce Commission in Chattanooga Case.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, March 23.—In the case of the Chamber of Commerce of Chattanooga against the Southern and other railroads, involving alleged discrimination in freight rates against Chattanooga and in favor of Nashville on traffic from Eastern cities, the Inter-State Commerce Commission today announced its decision in favor of the railroads. The commission decides that the traffic from New York and other Eastern points is carried to Nashville and Chattanooga under substantially different conditions; that the higher rate to Chattanooga is not unlawful nor unreasonable, and cannot be condemned merely because a lower rate is granted to Nashville.

CORBETT-BRITT FIGHT.

Betting Ten to Seven in Favor of Young Corbett—Great Crowd Expected.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 23.—Nearly all of the 7,864 seats in Woodward's pavilion have been sold for the contest Friday night between Young Corbett and Jimmy Britt. The police will refuse to permit standing in the aisles and there is a prospect of several thousand persons being turned away. The attendance will represent between $35,000 and $40,000.

Britt is close to weight and tapering off in his work. Corbett is evidently a little over weight, judging by the character of the work he has been doing to-day. The betting to-day fluctuated from ten to seven to ten to six in favor of Corbett.

WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS.

In Case of a Chinaman at Jacksonville, Fla., Ordered to be Deported.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

JACKSONVILLE, FLA., March 23.—Quong Gong, one of the Chinamen ordered deported by Commissioner Archibald last week, to-day sued out a writ of habeas corpus before Judge J. W. Locke, of the United States District court. His attorneys argued for his release on the ground that the act of Congress is unconstitutional, as it requires a Chinaman born in the United States to establish proof of citizenship, and is therefore contrary to the 14th amendment. Decision will be rendered to-morrow.

$800,000 FIRE.

Grain Company's Plant at Fairmont, W. Va., Destroyed—Small Insurance.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

FAIRMONT, W. VA., March 23.—Fire in the Miller Clark Grain Company's four story brick building this evening completely destroyed the building and a $30,000 stock of grain. The building and stock were valued at $800,000; insurance $30,000. The origin of the fire is not yet known. It is believed, however, to be the work of an incendiary, from the fact that nine fires have occurred here within the past three days.

THE SITUATION AT PORT ARTHUR.

Believed That the Japanese Bombardment Failed to Cause Any Great Damage.

EMBARGO UPON TELEGRAMS.

Increased Precautions to Prevent Enemy from Obtaining News of Movements of Russian Troops—Expect Attack Upon Vladivostok.

By Cable to the Morning Star

ST. PETERSBURG, March 24, 2:34 A. M.—As no further dispatches, official or otherwise, have arrived here from Port Arthur up to this morning, the officials have come to the conclusion that the bombardment by the Japanese fleet on the night of March 21st and the morning of March 22nd, failed to cause any damage considered worthy to be reported to the emperor. In consequence, considerable satisfaction at the continued fruitlessness of the Japanese assaults on Port Arthur prevails in high circles.

Situation at Vladivostok.

VLADIVOSTOK, March 24.—While the situation here remains quiet, it is not expected that Vladivostok will continue to be much longer free from the vigorous operations of the Japanese. In anticipation of the appearance of the enemy and of a possible siege, a ladies circle has been formed which sits six hours daily at the ministry of marine, preparing bandages of linen for wounded soldiers and sailors.

ST. PETERSBURG, March 23.—According to private advices from Vladivostok the Russian squadron is still there.

Private telegrams received at the admiralty here say that immediately following the Port Arthur bombardment yesterday, the Japanese again spread reports among the Chinese that the Russians had abandoned the town.

Embargo Upon Telegrams.

ST. PETERSBURG, March 23.—According to the information here there now exists a complete embargo upon newspaper dispatches direct from Port Arthur.

During the last ten days a general shutting down upon newspaper telegrams from the Far East has been noticeable. This is owing to increased precautions to prevent the enemy from obtaining news of the movements of the Russian troops.

The Russians are being massed in force along their first line from Feng Huang Cheng northward for thirty miles, while their second line extends from Mukden to Hai-Cheng.

All the rolling stock required for use in the Far East has now crossed Lake Baikal. Forty trucks of grain reach Port Arthur daily.

Japanese Cavalry.

ST. PETERSBURG, March 23.—According to the government reports, the Japanese cavalry seen north of Anju, Corea, this week, cannot keep touch with the Russians.

The military organ says the occupation of Anju, lying at the juncture of the best roads leading to Wiju, Seoul, Gensan and Kirin, affords a strong position, as a screen to the movement of troops from Ping Yang. But much of this natural advantage has been lost by lack on the part of the Japanese of mounted skirmishers.

Affairs in Corea.

SEOUL, March 23.—An imperial edict has been issued, opening Yongampho to foreign trade.

A brush between the opposing forces has occurred at the outposts north of Anju. One Japanese was killed.

The Tong Haks are giving trouble in the northeastern part of Corea and are making overtures to the Russians.

A detachment of Japanese from Gensan engaged a body of Tong Haks near Samung, with the result that twenty-four of the Tong Haks were killed or wounded and thirty-five were captured.

Throwing Up Earthworks.

ST. PETERSBURG, March 23.—The correspondent of the "Novi Krai" of Port Arthur, who is proceeding to the Yalu river, writes that he saw crowds of Chinese coolies throwing up earthworks on the frowning impregnable heights at Kin Chou (north of Port Dalny). This shows that the Russians are determined to resist the Japanese attempt to land on the neck of the Liao-Tung peninsula. The correspondent adds that the Chinese officials who had invariably made official calls on the occasions of the Russian and Chinese New Year, failed to do so this year, believing that the Japanese are going to drive out the Russians. They take a different view now, however, owing to the failure of the Japanese to rush things as evidenced by the fact that all the native hack drivers are carrying Russian flags.

Gunboat Mandjur.

SHANGHAI, March 23.—The Russians continue to evade the carrying out of the agreement to dismantle the gunboat Mandjur. A Japanese cruiser remains at Woo-Sung (ten miles from Shanghai, at the mouth of the Woo-Sung river).

The Japanese Diet.

TOKIO, March 23.—The special session of the Diet to-day entered upon the business for which it was called. M. Katsura, the premier, and M. Komura, the minister for foreign affairs, addressed the house. The premier said the Diet had been summoned at an unparalleled moment in the annals of the country. The maintenance of permanent peace in the Far East and respect for the legitimate rights of the powers was, he said, the established national policy of Japan.

Continuing the premier said: "Russia not only failed to meet the Japanese proposals, but defiantly resorted to actions calculated to injure the national rights of Japan, and Japan was compelled, in self-defence, to terminate the negotiations and take independent action."

Mr. Komura, the minister for foreign affairs, said he was confident the world would recognize the justice and patience uniformly exercised by Japan in carrying forward the negotiations with Russia. The minister said he was anxiously desirous of peace, being mindful of the woeful consequences which war brings to mankind.

Japanese Censorship.

LONDON, March 24.—The stringent Japanese censorship is likely to be relaxed early in April says the well informed "Daily Telegraph's" Seoul correspondent. This coincides with the numerous indications of the imminence of land operations.

In the meantime the veil has not lifted and not a word has yet issued, either officially from Japan or unofficially from any other source, concerning the last bombardment of Port Arthur. The rumored naval battle of March 10th is also totally unconfirmed.

Japanese Preparations.

LONDON, March 24.—A series of messages dated between March 10th and March 17th, sent by a correspondent of the "Daily Mail" at Chinampho, Corea, describes the perfect organization and arrangements of the Japanese in Corea. Elaborate preparations have been made for landing troops and advancing them through the country and pontoon bridges and stables are built wherever they are found to be necessary. The greatest difficulty facing the Japanese is the commissariat, as owing to the poor food supplies of Corea it is only possible at present to maintain 90,000 men.

The Japanese hold two enormously strong positions at Ping Yang and on the Miokak San range, between Hwang-Ju and Seoul. The latter, the correspondent says is probably impregnable and secures Seoul from land attacks from the northwest.

In the event of defeat it is intended to hold the passes at KAZAN, thus protecting the Ping Yang valley.

The Japanese troops are suffering from dysentery and pneumonia and many of the cavalry horses, which the correspondent says are poor, have died, but the army is full of spirit.

There probably are 20,000 Japanese at Ping Yang, which the correspondent points out might easily have been taken when the Russian scouts first arrived, there being then only 250 Japanese soldiers there.

The Russians intended to make Anju their base, but owing to the delay in the arrival of reinforcements, they were afraid they would be cut off and so retired. Meanwhile the Japanese advanced to Ping Yang by forced marches, the troops being almost without equipment.

According to this correspondent, the Russians are preparing to prevent the Japanese landing at Pak-Chon, twenty miles west of Anju, and he says the Japanese sailors admit that Port Arthur is so protected by mines and torpedoes that it would mean death to approach it.

LONDON, March 24.—The "Times" this morning prominently publishes an opinion of a correspondent that Japan will land her main army at New Chwang, which will be formed into a magnificent base, and that she probably will seize Hai Cheng, fifteen miles eastward and on the railroad, as an additional base, and that, without seriously attacking either Port Arthur or Vladivostok, the war will be fought on the plains of central Manchuria.

TOKIO, March 23.—A special dispatch from Moji (opposite Shimoneski) Japan, says the Japanese fleet made another attack on Port Arthur March 18th, bombarded the city and its defences and fought a furious engagement with the Russian fleet outside the harbor, destroying one Russian battleship. Seven Japanese casualties are reported. There is no information confirming the Japanese fleets, condition.

This is the first announcement of an engagement off Port Arthur on March 18th. Special dispatches received in London this afternoon contain the same details of an engagement, but give the date as March 22d which probably is correct.

BERLIN, March 24.—A special dispatch from Yokohama repeats the report sent from Tokio that the Japanese made an attack on Port Arthur March 18th and sank a Russian battleship.

COLORADO LABOR TROUBLE.

About Four Hundred Troops of the State Guard in the Disturbed District.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

DENVER, COLO., March 23.—About four hundred members of the National Guard of Colorado reached Trinidad to-day and were distributed among the various camps in Las Animas county, which Governor Peabody has declared to be in a state of insurrection. The governor has instructed Major Zeph T. Hill, commander of the force, to use such means as he may deem proper, "acting in conjunction with or independently of the civil authorities, to restore peace and good order."

The coal miners in the Trinidad district have been on strike for several months, claiming that they suffer abuses in the weighing of coal, in their treatment at the company's store and in other matters. Labor leaders say that the purpose of sending a military force to Las Animas county is to inaugurate a series of deportations such as have been carried out at Telluride.

THE ISTHMIAN CANAL.

Important Points Developed in Connection With Work of the Commission.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, March 23.—Two important points have been developed in connection with the work of the isthmian canal commission. One is that the headquarters of the commission probably will be on the isthmus of Panama, instead of in Washington, although an office probably will be maintained here, and the other, that all the time of at least five of the commissioners will not be devoted to the canal work. Their private interests will demand a part of their time.

Legislation now pending before Congress provides for the appointment of a governor of the American zone in Panama. Should it be enacted into a law, it is quite probable that the President may designate General Davis as the governor of the canal strip.

The President has practically determined that the Panama canal commission shall be attached to the War Department.

WARM WIRELETS.

Over three hundred delegates from all parts of the country are present in Chicago at the convention of the National Congress of the Disciples of Christ.

The directors of the Consolidated Tobacco, the American Tobacco and the Continental Tobacco Companies have re-elected officials of the respective companies.

The governors of the New York Stock Exchange have decided to close on Good Friday, but have refused to agree to the request for a double holiday, and the Exchange will be open on Saturday, April 2.

The House Committee on Labor listened to an argument against the eight-hour bill by Fuller E. Calloway, treasurer of the Unity cotton mills at LaGrange, Ga. The enactment of the bill would, he said, affect the cotton industry of the South adversely.

A bull movement in the Norfolk, Va., market, on Citizens' Bank stock, sent the securities from 195 to 275 and at that price a majority of shares were secured. The bank is capitalized at $300,000. George A. Schmelz, of Hampton, was prominent in the buying, but will not talk on the subject.

By a party vote the House Committee on Ways and Means voted down motions made respectively by Representative Williams, of Mississippi, and Representative Clark, of Missouri, to favorably report bills placing salt, coal, hides, wood pulp, agricultural implements and other articles on the free list.

Paul Schwandtner, of the firm of Pols & Schawandtner, iron contractors on the Hotel Darlington, New York, for whom a warrant was issued by Coroner Scholer, was arrested yesterday. Eugene C. Allison, secretary of the Allison Realty Company, against whom a warrant also has been issued, was out of the city.

THREE NEGROES KILLED.

In a Fight With a Sheriff's Posse at St. Charles, Ark.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

LITTLE ROCK, ARK., March 23.—A special to the "Gazette" from DeWitt, says:

Three negroes were killed in a race battle to-day at St. Charles, this county.

A posse and a deputy sheriff were engaged in a search for two negroes, who yesterday had seriously wounded two white men in a fist fight at St. Charles, and while passing through a section of woodland they were fired at from a thicket by a party of negroes. The whites returned the fire and instantly killed Garrett Flood, Will Madison and Will Baldwin.

The tragedy has greatly aroused the community and further trouble is feared. A posse left here to-night for St. Charles.

Beniz, one of the leading dry goods merchants of Greenville, S. C., filed a petition in voluntary bankruptcy, with liabilities of $35,500, assets $63,000.

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Wanted—One man to run wood lathe; 10 boys for the box shop; 10 good laborers. Pittsburg Lumber Co. Take Mermaid at 8 A. M. mar 24 3t*

The Ladies of St. Agnes' Guild will have their annual sale of Spring Neckwear at 3:30 o'clock, Thursday afternoon, March 23th, at St. James' Parish House. mar 24 1t

Brick! Brick! Brick!—We solicit your orders and will give our prompt attention. Roger Moore's Sons & Co. mar 22 3t

Shingles! Shingles! Shingles!—Send us your orders and we will do our best to please you.—Roger Moore's Sons & Co. mar 21 3t

Auction sale of building lots—On Wednesday, March 23rd, 1904, at 12.30 o'clock, I will sell at public auction twelve building lots in "Brooklyn." All of the lots are within one block of Fourth street. Terms on some cash, on others one-third cash and balance on time. W. M. Cumming, Real Estate and Notary. Sale to take place at the Court House door. mar 22 2t

Wanted—By the town of Lumberton, N. C., a superintendent for its electric light and water plants. Applicants will appear in person before the Board of Commissioners on the 25th day of March, 1904, at 12 o'clock M. References required. A. E White, Mayor, Lumberton, N. C. mr 19 1w.

Brown Leghorn Eggs, from high bred stock, for sale at 50 cents per dozen. R. A. Montgomery, Eighth and Princess streets. mar 16 tf

Board and nice room for married couple or two young men. Apply 212 Walnut street. mr 13 tf

Thirty loaves Washington Brea dfor $1.00 or three for 10 cents, at Farriss', 109 South Front street. feb 24 tf

The Only Restaurant is prepared to accommodate any number for breakfast, dinner and supper at the reasonable price of 25 cents each meal. Also special attention given to short orders at any time, day or night. ja 26 tf

Sewing Machines, Typewriters, Organs repaired. Will be in town for a few days only. Address J. B. Farrar, No. 9 South Eighth street. dec 26 tf

For Sale—Two turpentine stills in good working condition—one especially good. Cheap for cash. C. W. Worth, receiver. dec 13 tf

Wrapping Paper—For sale, several thousand Old Newspapers, all sizes, suitable for wrapping paper, and just the thing to put under carpets and matting. Will be sold at greatly reduced prices. Apply at the STAR office. oct 4 tf

Cabbage, Apples, Onions Irish Potatoes, Eggs and all kinds of produce at A. S. Winstead's to-day, 213 Market street. Both 'Phones. sep 5 tf

Offices for rent in The Worth Building—the most convenient business location in the city. Modern equipment. Apply to The Worth Co. feb 18 tf

Old newspapers, suitable for wrapping paper, for sale at reduced prices, in quantities. Apply at the office of THE MORNING STAR. fe 25 tf

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5 and 7 South Water Street.

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PROPOSALS FOR BEEF AND VEGETABLES.—Atlanta, Ga., March 19, 1904. Sealed proposals, in triplicate, will be received by Commissaries of following posts, respectively, until 11 A. M., April 20, 1904, and then opened, for furnishing and delivering fresh beef required during year beginning July 1, 1904; Caswell, N. C.; Fremont, Moultrie, S. C.; Augusta, Arsenal, Camp Geo. H. Thomas, McPherson, Screven, Ga.; Barrancas, Dade, De Soto, Key West Barracks, Fla.; Morgan, Ala.; Columbia Arsenal, Tenn. Proposals will be received and opened at same time at respective points named for beef to be delivered at temperature not greater than 50 degrees Fahrenheit. Also proposals for fresh vegetables (potatoes and onions) required during six months beginning July 1, 1904, will be received and opened at same time at Augusta Arsenal, Ga., Key West Barracks, Fla. Information furnished on application to Commissaries at respective places. Envelope containing proposals must be marked "Proposals for beef (or vegetables) to be opened April 20, 1904," and must be addressed to Commissary at place to be supplied. F. B. LAWTON, Capt. Chief Com'y. mr 20 6t

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